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ROME FOR FODAG

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SUBJECT: 1981 FOOD REQUIREMENTS FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES

REF: A) ISLAMABAD 00618 B) ROME 01779

1. REF B REPORTS CONCLUSION REACHED BY WFP TEAM WHICH
RECENTLY VISITED PAKISTAN THAT FOOD REQUIREMENTS
FOR AN AVERAGE OF 1.5 MILLION REFUGEES IN 1981 WOULD
TOTAL 318,000 METRIC TONS. HOWEVER, WFP TEAM TOLD
EMBOFF BEFORE LEAVING PAKISTAN THAT THEY ESTIMATED
ADDITIONAL FOOD REQUIREMENTS FOR 1981 OF ABOUT 239,000
MT (REF A).

2. DIFFERENCE MAY BE DUE TO FACT THAT SECOND FIGURE
TAKES INTO ACCOUNT CARRY OVER STOCKS FROM 1980. HOWEVER,
ACCORDING TO FIGURES MOST RECENTLY PROVIDED BY WFP OFFICE
IN ISLAMABAD, IT APPEARS THAT CARRY OVER STOCKS
ARE NOT LARGE ENOUGH TO ACCOUNT FOR DIFFERENCE SINCE
AMOUNT PLEDGED AS OF DECEMBER 31 TOTALLED 169,000 MT AND
AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED AS OF END OF THE YEAR AMOUNTED TO
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117,000 MT.

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3. WE SUGGEST FCCAS ROME RECHECK WITH WFP TO DETERMINE
EXACT AMOUNT OF ADDITIONAL PLEDGES NEEDED TO PROVIDE
315,000 MT OF FOOD PROJECTED FOR REFUGEE NEEDS DURING
1981. HUMMEL

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